

WILLIMANTIC

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In one of the most heated city meetings held in this city for many years some 100 voters revolved the resolution authorizing the common council to spend the sum of \$2,000 for the removal of ashes in this city during the current year. The second clause in the warrant for the meeting Thursday night, asking for an appropriation of \$10,000 for the removal of ashes during the current year was also brought up and an overwhelming vote caused no action to be taken at the meeting. Mayor Charles A. Gates called the meeting to order at 8 o'clock and adjournment did not take place until 9:30 o'clock.

Heated arguments by voters favoring the city collection and by those against it to such heat during the meeting that at one time the point of order was called for and the speaker was compelled to keep his remarks confined to the clause in the warrant.

The first speaker was Eugene Randall, who demanded to know just what the cost of collection of ashes amounted to during the trial week, when the street department took care of the work. He was informed that it was \$100.50. He then asked how much was spent in the city to collecting ashes during the trial week and in answer to the question about, to what account this was charged, he stated that as yet it had been charged to no account but could be charged against the ash account.

Attorney Patrick J. Danahey then arose and stated that it was as foolish

for the city to collect the ashes as it would be for them to collect the rubbish and refuse from the gardens in the city. He did not believe the committee went on a joy ride to Bridgeport but in their official capacity and for the good of the city the trip was made. Bridgeport and Norwich could not be compared with Willimantic, which is even less than half the size of Norwich. He believed that the persons asking for the city collection were too lazy to do the work themselves, that they disliked any physical work. He would continue to dump his ashes where he always has, in the street nearby his house, which he said needed them badly, as many other streets in this city do.

Alderman Hickey then told of the trip to Bridgeport. The collection of ashes was a new thing for Willimantic and the last thing the committee could do was to go to some other city that had had experience in this work and thus profit by the information gathered. It was first thought that the street department could take care of the collection of ashes but this was not possible. Then if a new department must do it someone must be chosen for the supervisor. Who could the city get for \$1200? The appropriation was only \$2,000 and it was left but \$2,000 for the work. Several methods of ash collection were explained by Alderman Hickey, who stated that each meant an expenditure of a large sum of money. He believed that the best method to bring the question before the people had been through the use of a city meeting. If Willimantic could not do the work for \$2,500 then the \$21 expended in the trip to Bridgeport was well worth while because it meant a saving of several thousand if the city tried the work and then failed.

He was interrupted several times some of the questions being humorous and other knocks at the committee and city administration. In conclusion he said that ashes were not a nuisance but if the city wanted them collected the money must be appropriated.

Judge Frank H. Foss, who sponsored the city collection at the first city meeting, stated that at that meeting he, as chairman of a committee of the Willimantic Chamber of Commerce was chosen to speak for the city collection. As far as the matter concerned him personally he was for it, only as an improvement to the city. He only worked that Willimantic should become a better city, and he believed they were signing a petition to the advantage of the city. He objected to the statement of the committee of the common council in which it was said that the signers of the first petition did not know what they were signing. Alderman Hickey stated that this was not the one intended to convey, but the committee believed that the signers had not carefully considered the cost before signing their names to the petition. It was also said in the report that the vote was taken in a hasty manner. Judge Foss explained that it was one and one-half years ago that this first came up and Mayor Gates favored it at that time. A petition was circulated and after a warning a city meeting was held, and this in his opinion was the only fair way the meeting could have been held. He claimed that the city had not given it a fair trial, that they had not tried to get some outside to do it. The amount asked for in the warrant was only a half mill increase on the tax list and what house owner could remove his ashes for that amount, and do it three times a week as the city could. He also went into figures on cost at this time, and Alderman Hickey called his attention to errors as the city only collected once a week.

Attorney Danahey again took the floor and favored voting down the \$2,000 appropriation. Eugene Randall again spoke, stating that the administration of the city was using shoddy tactics. He wanted to know why only one fire alarm was at Engine Company No. 1 when the alarm was sent in. Calling for an answer from Fire Chief Wade U. Webster, he was informed that this was not a public meeting and any business in the city was asked for, he could, however, get an answer to his question if he would go to the fire station after the meeting. Randall continued his charge of the administration and a point of order was made. He concluded by saying he was against taking up the collection of ashes.

Attorney Danahey, a democrat by politics, stated that the mayor and city administration should be thanked for their dealing with the voters, not condemned. The meeting held Thursday night was not by the city charter necessary for the mayor to call Mayor Gates, however, feeling that the people had the right to choose, gave them this opportunity to state their views and this was fair.

Amos Fowler favored city collection, stating that in the small town of Willimantic he once lived this was done and Willimantic should do it.

Superintendent of Streets Irvin H. Ford in response to questions asked told of the collection made. It took four men to a truck, he stated. He believed that the work could not be done for the amount appropriated.

Cries of question followed and a cry of ayes against one or two noses responded the appropriation of \$2,000 for ash collection. The meeting then unanimously voted that no action be taken on the clause asking for an appropriation of \$2,000.

The Willimantic High school girls' basketball team played a game at Woodstock Academy tonight (Friday). Woodstock played in this city last week and suffered a 12 to 2 defeat at the hands of the local hooseiars. Although the figures seem to point to a one-sided contest the game tonight will be a fight from start to finish. A large crowd of Willimantic rooters will accompany their team. Willimantic will line up for the contest as follows: Jeanne Howie and Fifth Twenty-two, forwards; Jeanne Howie, center; Jeanne Howie, guard; Jeanne Howie, guard.

Agassiz's family is to move to Providence shortly to make their home with his son, Mr. Belmont, who has been employed by the H. C. Murray Company in the dress goods department for many years. He is now in court to take this action.

The game of basketball played in this city Wednesday night. The final score was 31 to 28. The game was close at all times, the first half ending 15 to 10 in favor of the locals. The K. of C. team lined up as follows: Mordarty if and rg. Hazzerty if, Summers rf and e. O'Brien and rf. White if and Tighz rg. Colman rg was represented by the following men: Gregory if, Webster rf, Spencer rf, Horowitz e, McDonald if and Friedman rg and if.

Rev. Walter F. Borchert, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, has announced that he would remain with the local church, and not accept a call to become rector of Christ Episcopal church of Jefferson, Missouri. This offer was received some time ago but Rev. Mr. Borchert withheld his decision until he had carefully considered the offer. In his public statement Rev. Mr. Borchert said he was interested in his church work among the rural communities in this vicinity and hoped in this manner to increase the membership of his church. The members of St. Paul's church and Rev. Mr. Borchert's other friends received the news of his decision with pleasure. During his four and one-half years as rector of St. Paul's church, Rev. Mr. Borchert has made many friends and news of his choice had been awaited with interest.

Members of Willimantic Rotary club met Thursday noon at the Soda Shop, and reports of the various committees were heard and passed upon. The ten-



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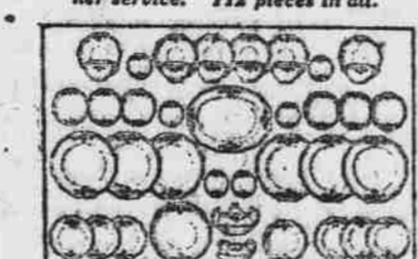
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STAFFORD SPRINGS

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There are 65 mercantile establishments, including stores, manufacturing plants and shops of all kinds; horses and mules, 311, with a valuation of \$33,570; cattle, 324, valued at \$18,080. There are 373 automobiles in the list at \$216,182; jewelry, \$623; musical instruments, \$231; merchandise and stock in stores, \$1,028,960; cables, wires and mains, \$110,570; boats, 125; money and its equivalent, \$4,878; miscellaneous, \$1,250.

E. C. DeBorde has been spending a few days in New Haven. Frederick Bruce of Boston is passing a week's vacation in town. Miss Katherine Hazzett, who has been ill with grip, has returned to her work in Hartford.

Favorable reports are received from Mrs. J. H. Stanley, who was recently operated on at the Johnson hospital. Clifford E. Wells, who has been ill for several days, has returned to work.

NORWICH TOWN

In observance of the fortieth anniversary of Christian Endeavor, there is to be a special meeting of Norwich Christian Endeavor union at the First Congregational church, Norwich Town, Sunday evening at seven o'clock. It is expected the various C. E. societies will be represented at this meeting. The C. E. society of the First Methodist Episcopal church, which was recently organized, voted to accept the invitation to attend the meeting Sunday evening and will do so in a body. The exercises are to open with a song service by a union choir representing both churches. This will be followed by the entire congregation repeating the Twenty-third Psalm. Other numbers on the programme will include: Scripture reading, Rev. William J.

Forty new books have been received and catalogued by Mrs. Ruth C. Perry, librarian at the Willimantic Public Library. These books include: Modern History of Windham County, by Allen S. Lincoln; and each one his own story, by Judge Andrew J. Bowen. Complete list follows: Homespun and Gold; Alice Brown; The Wagon, B. M. Bower; Wall Between; Sara Hazzett; Resurrection Rock; Edwin Palmer; Sunday School; Henry S. Cooper; Wanted; A Fool, Philip Curtis; Moreton Mystery; Ellis Dejeans; Book of Susan; Lee W. Dodd; Little House, Coningsby Dawson; Vacation of the Keldyng, Wm. D. Hovells; Mysteries of the River; Zane Grey; Man to Man; Jackson Gregory; Mommia; Pearl Hughes; Lucinda; Anthony Hope; Prairie Flowers; James P. Hendry; Clouds; John L. Hill; Ode to the Rescue; Ethel Hueson; Hearts of Three; Jack London; Main Street; Sinclair Lewis; Pottersham, Rose Macaulay; West Wind; Drift; George B. Macdonald; Dreams of a Doctor; Bartle MacGrath; House of Dreams Come True; Margaret Peiler; Blind, Ernest Poole; Miss Millions; Maid, Berta Ruck; Big Town Round Up; William Feltz; Turn About Fair; Alice Hegon Rice; Affinities and Other Stories; Mary R. Rinehart; Team for Raccoon; Berta Ruck; Trail Horde; Charles Selzer; A World to Hand; Margaret Sherwood; Nancy Goss to Town; Frances Sterrett; Rose Dawn; Stew; J. E. White; Goshen Street; Wayland W. Williams; Children of Storm; Ida A. R. Wylie; Captives, Hugh Walpole.

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Mrs. S. I. Bonney sent a package of clothing last week by parcel post to the National Store House, 545 West 29th street, New York city. The card gratefully acknowledging its receipt stated that it would help save human lives, and would be forwarded in the next communication. More packages will be sent this week and next week.

The winter birds, brown creepers, nut hatches, downy and hairy woodpeckers, chickadees, blue jays, come early and stay late at feeding places during these cold days. Birds of sort and crumbs disappear rapidly, and when all is gone the calls of the wood peckers for more are very insistent.

The collection for Near East Relief at the store of T. Smith and company Wednesday amounted to nearly \$40, a most generous sum, in that the extreme cold lessened the number out to be contributors.

Rev. George H. Broome, pastor of the First Baptist church Norwich, will conduct the Sunday afternoon service at the Shetland Africa. He will be accompanied by members of his church choir.

John Whitchell, of Watertown, has been passing a few days at the home of his sister, Mrs. Frank Skinner.

The number of children in eastern rural homes is the lowest at this time of year, and the highest in rural homes on the Pacific slope the highest.

BLOCKING ACTION ON FORDNEY TARIFF BILL IN THE SENATE

Washington, Jan. 27. — The Fordney emergency tariff bill was theoretically before the senate today but was discussed only in a speech by Senator Rimmer, Democrat, North Carolina, and a brief debate on sugar duties. Speeches were so far held at one time that Senator McPherson, republican, North Dakota, declared the senate had discussed "every thing from negroes to battleships" and asked why the tariff should not be taken up.

Tariff debate, however, was not without pointed arguments. Senator Francis Chandler of more than two hours was directed at what he termed the ineffectiveness of the proposed legislation. He charged that congress would be expending its power in enacting such legislation and asserted that its provisions were unconstitutional in that they would compel assent to yaps tribute.

The North Carolina senator also argued that Mr. McPherson was supporting legislation which not only would increase the price of bread and corn, but would place the United States in a position, if tariff retaliation at the hands of Canada from which Mr. McPherson had said the "dangerous" wheat importations come.

Senator Kier, democrat, Utah, asked during the discussion whether it would not be proper for the government to "take care of the unemployed with a pension if it were able to take care of the wheat farmer and the Louisiana sugar grower." He declared that congress should never establish such a precedent and asserted that the losses of other lines of trades were equally as important.

The debate then turned into an open forum on sugar and Senator Francis Chandler, the chairman of the Finance committee, followed with a series of speeches in which he asserted that the bill before the senate.

An Atlanta man asked an old lady what breed of chickens he considered the best. "All kinds like dew mornin'," replied the old lady.

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